

(2) Yes. The question does not arise.

(3) Government do not consider it necessary to place this correspondence on the table. Copy of the M. & S.M. Railway Agent's Circular dated 19th August 1919 relating to the transferred staff is attached. (Vide Appendix II.)

(4) None.

(5) (a) From all the traffic staff including transferred employees.

(b) Twice in 1920 and 1921, and in 1926.

(c) Government gave general increases to staff in 1920. In 1921 most of the staff including original Mysore Railway staff sent another representation. If the employees increases that were to be given on M. & S.M. promotion time. As no promise had been given for the Government did not concede the request. The staff including transferred staff sent in another representation for general increases. Government did not concede that there was any case for general revision though they were prepared to consider individual cases of hardship on merits of each case and the matter is under consideration of the department.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. Hosakoppa Krishna Rao.—

With reference to (1) of Question 17, the article referred to therein is published in the "Hindu" of 18th June, can the Government give a reply now?

Third Member of Council.—

No. Government want notice.

Mr. Hosakoppa Krishna Rao.—

With reference to answer (3) did the transferred staff get the increase of pay?

Third Member of Council.—

Whatever was promised was given.

Mr. Hosakoppa Krishna Rao.—

While giving increase of pay to the hands transferred from the M. & S. M. Company to the State Railway, were all the conditions imposed by the M. & S. M. Company fulfilled?

Third Member of Council.

Yes.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

With reference to the cases that are referred to the last question, what further consideration?

Third Member of Council.

All the employees referred to have made a representation and all these are under consideration.

Considers them.

13) Yes.

Railway guarantee to the employees would have got if they had been in the service of the Company?

Third Member of Council.

Government cannot guarantee that. They were taken into service of the State Railways on the salaries they were getting then and they will be given anything that could be reasonably due. They cannot expect anything more.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Should not their past service count for promotions here?

Third Member of Council.

Yes. It has been taken into consideration.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Then, why were so many new hands employed in the traffic and other departments recently?

Dewan.

You cannot question the right of Government or of the Agent to make any appointment that is considered necessary.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Where was the necessity to make any new appointment instead of promoting these men?

Dewan.—

That is a matter concerning departmental discipline. If the members of this Assembly go on discussing it, they will only prejudice the interest of the employees.

Mr. Krishna Rao.—

But will such an action on the part of Government not result in the loss of efficiency?

Dewan.—

That is the look out of Government. If the employees will work well, they will get their pay.

Mr. D. S. Mallappa.—

Are Government aware of the fact that people that were transferred to the State Railways are only those that were not considered to be very efficient in their work?

No answer.

Mr. B. S. Ranoji Rao.—

Did the M & S.M. Company give notice to the transferred officials that their appointments would cease unless they took up service in the Mysore State Railways?

Third Member of Council.—

Yes.

Mr. Ranoji Rao.—

If they had lost their appointments then would they have been getting salaries which they are now getting?

Third Member of Council.—

That is a matter which is evident.

MR. HOSAKOPPA KRISHNA RAO, MR. M. S. DYAVE GOWDA and MR. C. SUBBANNA NAIK (Koppa Taluk); and MR. K. T. SATHYANARAYANA SETTY (Kadur Taluk).—

Q.—18. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) Whether with reference to the interpellation asked in the recent Budget Session of the Assembly regarding

Government's decision refusing permission to edit and publish "Kaniyar Patrika," they have reconsidered or intend to reconsider their decision in the matter favourably?

(2) Whether it is true, as has been said in a note appearing in the "Walthamstow" dated the 19th July 1927 and in a letter from Mr. A. Rangiah appearing in "Sampadabhyudaya," the same day that the local Police are visiting in untimely hours the Sree Rama Press and giving the Proprietor trouble by putting all sorts of questions, relevant or irrelevant, under the pretext of making enquiries in regard to "Kaniyar Patrika" and the publications connected therewith?

(3) What action have the Government taken or intend to take in the Mysore State?

CHIEF SECRETARY, MYSORE STATE.

(1) Government have not reconsidered their decision.

(2) It is understood that a Police constable visited the Sree Rama Press on two occasions to obtain information about the newspapers printed at the Press. No trouble was caused to the Proprietor.

(3) In view of the answer to (2) above, no action is called for.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. Hosakoppa Krishna Rao.—

Has it come to the notice of Government that Mr. Thagadur Ramachandra Rao is issuing his paper in cyclostyle?

Third Member of Council.—

Yes.

Mr. Krishna Rao.—

Did the District Magistrate give him notice that if he continued to issue the paper, he would be deported and the press in which copies were cyclostyled confiscated?

Third Member of Council.—

A warning has been issued.

Mr. Krishna Rao.—

When?